STAND. COM. REP. NO. 654

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 0 6 2015

RE: S.B. No. 92 S.D. 2

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim President of the Senate Twenty-Eighth State Legislature Regular Session of 2015 State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 92, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to augment accessibility to general excise tax exemption information collected and provided by the Department of Taxation.

More specifically, this measure:

- (1) Requires the Department of Taxation to publish reports on certain general excise tax exemptions; and
- (2) Repeals specific annual reporting deadlines.

Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Taxation and the Tax Foundation of Hawaii.

Your Committee finds that, pursuant to section 231-3.4, Hawaii Revised Statutes, the Department of Taxation is required to publish reports on Hawaii income patterns and tax credits. This measure amends section 231-3.4, Hawaii Revised Statutes, by also requiring the Department of Taxation to publish reports on certain general excise tax exemptions. Your Committee believes that this measure will provide information that will be useful in determining the effectiveness of state tax incentives.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Making clarifying amendments to the descriptions of reports currently required under section 231-3.4, Hawaii Revised Statutes, regarding the income patterns of Hawaii businesses;
- (2) Amending section 231-3.4, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to retain the Department of Taxation's annual reporting requirement, while repealing an obsolete reporting deadline; and
- (3) Making technical nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 92, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 92, S.D. 2, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Ways and Means,

JILL N. TOKUDA, Chair

The Senate Twenty-Eighth Legislature State of Hawai'i

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The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.					
If so, then the previous decision was to:					
The Recommendation is:					
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313					
Members		Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
TOKUDA, Jill N. (C)		·/			
KOUCHI, Ronald D. (VC)		V			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne					
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.		V.			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani		V			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood		V			
HARIMOTO, Breene					1
INOUYE, Lorraine R.		V			
RIVIERE, Gil		V/			
RUDERMAN, Russell E.					
SLOM, Sam					
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Chair's or Designee's Signature:					
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